and North Eastern States, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep and ITDP areas. In addition under the Technology Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture in North Eastern States, Jammu and Kahsmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand, higher levels of assistance @ 50% upto Rs. 4.00 crore for a setting up and Rs.1.00 crore for up gradation of fruit and vegetables processing is allowed. The Government of India has also launched the National Horticulture Mission (NHM) for holistic development of Horticulture in the country.

Setting-up of wine parks

2148. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are seriously contemplating for setting-up wine parks in select locations to promote grape cultivation in the country, in order to secure enlarged markets abroad for Indian wine and to expand local market for wine;

(b) if so, whether Government would assure of confining to increase of grape cultivation for exporting grapes, to foreign countries, instead of creating habit of wine drinking through wine parks; when exports of grapes are increasing heavily due to reduction of pesticides in grape cultivation; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c) Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MFPI) had been providing financial assistance under its Tenth Plan Scheme for setting up of Food Parks @ 25% of project cost in general areas and 33.33% of project cost in difficult areas, subject to maximum of Rs. 4.00 crore for creation of common facilities such as power supply, water supply, cold storage, warehousing facilities, effluent treatment plant, food testing analytical laboratories, common processing facilities etc. The Ministry does not set up food parks on its own. However, it encourages post harvest management by extending financial assistance to various food processing units. The Ministry had approved financial assistance to 56 Food Parks in the Country so far, which includes two food parks at Palus, Distt. Sangli, and Vinchur, Distt. Nashik, Maharashtra to provide various common facilities to the grape processing units. Department of Agriculture and Co-operation, Ministry of Agriculture and State Governments provide extension services to the farmers for cultivation of suitable varities of grapes and increasing the area under cultivation.

Development fees in Kendriya Vidyalayas

†2149. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the norms set by Government for charging the School Development Fund fee from Kendriya Vidyalaya students;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) the works on which the amount of the Fund was spent by Kendriya Vidyalayas during the last three years, till date;

(c) whether Government have received any complaints regarding alleged misuse of the Fund; and

(d) whether Government propose to take any steps to monitor the Fund?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) The Vidyalaya Vikas Nidhi (VVN) Fee is being collected from the students of Kendriya Vidyalayas as under:-

Class	Rupees per month
I toX	160.00
XI & XII (Non Science)	160.00
XI & XII (Science)	200.00

(b) The Statement of Expenditure of VVN, as reported by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), is as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Head of Account	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
1	Part time contractual staff	26.69	28.96	21.00
2	Maintenance and Repairing of building/sports field/other assets	18.78	14.86	19.84
3	Pupils' societies	21.84	21.86	17.16
4	Watch and ward services	8.91	10.37	9.84
5	Computer consumable and non consumable	11.10	15.26	21.51
6	Examination	14.03	14.81	14.43
7	Other recurring expenditures like Rent/ Taxes/Water/Electricity bills, Games and Sports, Consumable items for Lab, Library and others, Medical facilities/Sanitation, Trekking/Education Tour, Scout and Guide Activities and Misc. Expenditure etc.	48.60	50.88	57.13
8	Non-recurring expenditure	29.44	24.57	25.25
	TOTAL:	179.39	181.57	186.16

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) KVS has identified activities for which VVN fund can be used. Ceiling of expenditure on each activity has been indicated. The accounts of VVN have been incorporated into the accounts of KVS, and these are subject to audit by the

Comptroller and Auditor General. Individual complaints on misuse of funds are dealt with by KVS in accordance with the relevant procedure.

Failure in basic education

2150. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons why we have failed miserably in providing basic education to millions of children, inspite of our IITs and IIMs are recognized centres of excellence;

(b) whether it is a national disgrace; if so, whether Government are considering to improve the situation by providing basic education to the deprived class of millions of children; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) Since the inception of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan programme, in 2001-02, there has been an increase in enrolment of children in 6-14 years age group in schools/alternate schooling system and a reduction in out of school children from 3.20 crore in 2001 to approximately 75 lakh in April, 2007.

Consequent upon enactment of the Constitution (Eighty-sixth Amendment) Act, 2002, Article 21-A has been inserted in the Constitution, which makes education a Fundamental Right for children in the age group of 6-14 years by providing that "the State shall provide free and compulsory education to all children of the age of six to fourteen years in such manner as the State may, by law, determine." Accordingly, a draft Model Right to Education Bill, spelling out broad parameters and features for achieving the constitutional mandate of free and compulsory education was drafted and circulated as framework to the States/UTs to seek their comments thereon.

Setting-up of additional Navodaya Vidyalayas

2151. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any plans to set up additional Navodaya Vidyalayas throughout the country during 2007-08;

(b) if so, the details of financial allocations made by Government for this purpose; and

(c) the details of norms/guidelines being adopted by Government for setting-up of such schools?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) Under the existing Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme, one Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) is opened in